4. the Vakil or Vakils who appeared and conducted the cases on either side ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—1, 2, 3 and 4. Vide the statement placed on the Council Secretary's table.

Sub-Magistrate Mr. P. Govindan Nayar.

452. Mr. M. K. Raman.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

has the District Magistrate or the Diwan received any complaints that the Sub-Magistrate of Ernakulam, Mr. P. Govindan Nayar, is often staying as a guest in the house of his neighbour, Mr. Kakathparambil Raman Menon, a Criminal Vakil practising in his court, and that Mr. Govindan Nayar is treating this Criminal Vakil as a special favourite of his in the exercise of his magisterial functions ;

if the answer is in the affirmative, how many such petitions were signed, and what was the number of signatories in each ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—No.

453. Mr. M. K. Raman.— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

in the time of the Diwanship of Mr. (now Sir) T. Vijayaraghavachariar, was there any complaint against this Magistrate, Mr. P. Govindan Nayar, that he is showing communal partialities, favouring his own communities and ill-treating members of the Ezhuva communities ;

was any explanation taken from Mr. P. Govindan Nayar in that connection ; how has that matter been disposed ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—A petition was received in connection with the Thanisseri riot.

No explanation was taken. On perusing the judgment of the District Magistrate, the Diwan found that the Magistrate was not to blame.

454. Mr. M. K. Raman.— Will the Government be pleased to state.—

1. how many petitions were received by the District Magistrate, the Diwan and His Highness the Maharaja against Mr. P. Govindan Nayar regarding his misconduct and partiality, etc., while he was the Magistrate of Cranganur ; was any action taken upon those petitions ; what was the cause of his transfer from Cranganur ;

2. how many similar petitions were received against him by the Diwan and the District Magistrate and His Highness the Maharaja while he was the Sub-Magistrate of Irinjalakkuda ; was any action taken upon them ; if so, with what result ;

3. how many petitions have been received, and on the whole, how many persons have complained about Mr. P. Govindan Nayar from the beginning of his career as Sub-Magistrate up to now ;

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